

Fashions at the Capital

The Well Dressed Woman of Smart Society, What She Wears;
The Time and Place.
By MARGARET WADE.

That coming events cast their shadows before is undoubtedly true in the matter of fashion, yet in no particular realm of feminine life does the present time, and the present tense come into its own as in the matter of dress.

With the mercury quivering with the nineties for days at a time the fashionable woman left in Washington for any reason, concerns herself little beyond keeping cool.

Some, there are, entirely satisfied to keep cool in last year's muslins and laces, and for them the present days and nights have little terror, for life at the country clubs has become simple in the extreme, and a dinner on the roof of the Army and Navy Club calls for nothing more elaborate than a white muslin gown such as is always to be found in the wardrobes of Washington maids or matrons with a sense of fitness in dress.

The easy going ladies, while more numerous in Washington than in many a city, do not, however, make up the entire fashionable world, and the women who wish to be smart as well as comfortable are giving a cordial reception to the new tunics without a trace of pannier, the deep straight, long waisted bodice, and the ruffled skirts all of the pronounced 1914 brand.

These very distinct modes are pointing the way for the wise, for already in Paris the gowns of next winter are coming into being on these same new summer lines.

Newport, Narragansett and Bar Harbor will all show summer gowns that are distinct departures from anything we have had in Washington this spring, even in the tulle of the White House.

The bridesmaid's gowns at the Roosevelt-Willard wedding were examples of what Washington may expect to see at the first large dance of next winter. The satin underskirts were narrow as ever, but the overdresses of tulle which came almost to the ankles were full at the waist line and stood out at the hem with all the self assertion of an old-time hoop skirt.

Mrs. Preston Gibson, who secured a wardrobe equal to the fullest demand of the North Shore and Newport before leaving Washington, gave her friends a view of one of her smartest dinner gowns at the last country club dinner she attended just before going North.

This is a gown entirely of tulle, the color one of the latest shades of old pink. The skirt has no train, but touches the ground. It is covered from belt to hem in plaited ruffles of only slightly graduated width. The top has close folds of tulle over a fitted lining of the same color or satin with one large pink rose high up on the shoulder. There is also a wide sash of tulle allowed to fall slightly to the side at the back.

A fascinating gown made for the Narragansett season, but given its initiation at a recent small and smart afternoon party, was worn by Miss Margaret Barbour. This shows how the skirt may be of one material and the bodice of another while preserving the highest degree of style.

This skirt is narrow, has black and white stripes of equal width with a seam down the center, throwing the stripes in a diagonal line. The top is entirely of white chiffon over an interlining of delicately figured lace. There is the usual deep V at the neck with quite unusual sleeves, starting loosely at the shoulder, but fitting closely at the wrist.

A broad girde, which is one of the distinctive features of this direct importation, is eight-inch Oriental ribbon, dark crimson in background overwrought in gold and white and black, topped by either a white or a black hat. This is the ideal Casino gown of which we often hear but rarely see in Washington.

What is perhaps the most significant of many changes in afternoon gowns intended for formal wear, is the use of white satin.

This fabric once pre-empted entirely by brides, and even for dinner gowns worn with an explanation, is now the foundation of the ultrasmart tailored costumes that will grace the Casino at Newport or abroad.

Mrs. George Mayne, whom her Washington friends have shortly to describe as the mistress of the American Embassy in Paris, introduced the satin and serge gown of the highest known terms in Washington last week at the garden party of the Secretary of State and Mrs. Bryan. This is made with a narrow skirt of pure white satin, real bridal satin, as it is cut in straight lines and as



MRS. ELIHU ROOT, JR.
Mrs. Root, who was Miss Stryker, of Clinton, N. Y., is the guest of her husband's parents, Senator and Mrs. Root, of New York.

severely tailored as the heaviest of cloth, the overdress is a serge in the same color and fine as old-time moreno, but with the little serge twill. This is made in the very latest long tunic a la polonaise. Except, and it ever the exception proved the rule, it is when applied to gowns of French manufacture, the polonaise falls straight as a man's frock coat, while Mrs. Mayne's tunic has a perceptible flare at the bottom, which reaches half way between knee and ankle. The top is close-fitting, with coat sleeves, and is finished in broad collar and cuffs of white satin. The only trimming is a row of satin-covered buttons, oblong in shape, and rather closely placed, which extend from the base of the satin collar to the hem of the stunning tunic.

With this Mrs. Mayne wore a white satin hat trimmed about its crown with a family of small blackbirds, a third, probably of the famous four and twenty set before the king, and really quite as wonderful.

Both gown and hat are French, but to show the wonderful facility with which American women with the price can get real Paris wardrobes at short notice, it may be mentioned the gown was purchased on Fifth avenue and the hat on H street, just twenty-four hours apart.

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the Rue de la Paix with H street. The shape has all the advantage of the overworked sailor as regards the trim, but with a dome crown severely blocked. A narrow band of embroidered ribbon goes about the base of the crown and is tied in a small bow at the back. The wings are spread Mercury fashion on the front of the crown with a cluster of white roses covering their base.

SOCIETY

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Mary Hunt Roberts, Lucy Anderson, Nina Fulton, Sarah Cox, Carol Leadbeater, Katherine Elliott, Ellen Burke, and Messrs. Lou C. Barley, Jr., Carroll Pierce, Jr., Chester Pierce, Edwin Pierce, Allan Roberts, Johnson McGuire, Gardner Boothe, Jr., Albert Bryan, Jr., Tupper Barrett, Lawrence Fawcett, Browne Barker, Charles C. Barley, Jr., Alexander Doniphan, Jr., Wesley Bitter, and John Leadbeater.

Capt. Charles F. Nash and Mrs. Nash, of Baltimore, were recent guests of Mrs. George Abbott, Fairfax County, Va. Mrs. Sidney J. Barnhouse and Miss Cora Barnhouse have returned from Richmond, Va., where they attended the Virginia Local Assembly, Daughters of the King, which met in that city.

LAUREL.

The Misses Kennedy gave a dance Friday evening at their home, "The Maples." Many guests had returned from Richmond, Va., where they attended the Virginia Local Assembly, Daughters of the King, which met in that city.

Miss Sarah Billard, of Washington, was the guest the past week of Miss Mary Kennedy, at her home, "The Maples."

Mrs. Sue Fleming, of Baltimore, was the guest Wednesday of Mrs. George P. McAney.

Miss Swartzell, of Chevy Chase, was the guest Saturday of her aunt, Mrs. R. H. Hunt, in Prince George street.

Mrs. John D. Crommiller has been visiting her brother, Mr. Robert H. Williams, at his home, Edgecombe Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling and Mrs. Colton, of Baltimore, were guests for the week-end of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Williams, in Washington avenue.

Rev. and Mrs. T. A. Johnstone, of Washington, were guests Tuesday of the Messrs. Goldsborough, at their home in Washington avenue.

The Five Hundred Club, was entertained Wednesday by Mrs. Meredith, at her home in Lafayette avenue.

Miss Nellie Duval, of Baltimore, is the guest of her niece, Mrs. Frederic Dallard. Mr. Jordan is spending some time in New York.

Mr. William Ferrell, of Washington, visited Laurel during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Gamill, of Baltimore, were guests during the week of their sister, Mrs. James Edwin Bradley.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones, of Washington, were guests this week of Mrs. William E. Bowling.

Rev. Mr. Trimball, of Minnesota, who has been the guest of Mrs. Agnes Butler, has returned to his home.

Mrs. James E. Bradley visited in Baltimore Wednesday.

Rev. William R. Bushby preached the baccalaureate sermon Sunday at St. Philip's Church to the graduates of the Laurel High School.

ROCKVILLE.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Wilson, of Lay Hill, this county, have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Selma Wilson, and Mr. Harry Theron Peters, of Washington. The ceremony will take place the evening of June 24 at "Woodley Lane," the home of the bride's parents.

Mrs. Lloyd Brewer and little child are visiting Mrs. Brewer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander, in Texas.

Mrs. William Dorsey entertained the Rockville Card Club Tuesday afternoon, with the members of the club and a few other friends. The prize was won by Mrs. Robert N. Bayless. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. Evelyn Brewer, of Poolesville, is a guest of Miss Margaret Higgins here.

Mr. and Mrs. William Reading and little daughter, of Washington, are spending the summer at the home of Mr. Reading's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Reading, in Rockville.

Mrs. Robert N. Bayless entertained the Rockville Inquiry Club at its biweekly meeting Monday afternoon.

Rev. and Mrs. Ernest L. Woolf have issued invitations to the marriage of their sister, Miss Belle Bond, of Brightwood, D. C., formerly of Baltimore, to Mr. William Forrest Prettymann, of the city.

The ceremony will take place the evening of June 13 in Emory Methodist Church, Brightwood. Mr. Prettymann is a member of the law firm of Talbot & Prettymann.

Miss Mary Hyatt, of Kensington, was a guest during the week of Miss Louise Larcombe here.

Russell E. Hicks, son of Washington Hicks, of this place, was among this year's graduates of George Washington University, Washington.

Mrs. Hollis, of Washington, is a visitor at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. George L. Edmonds.

Mrs. W. J. Baxter, of Richmond, Va., was a recent guest at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Edward Callender, at Kensington.

Miss Leila Widmyer, of Hancock, has been visiting the Misses Hoskinson at Poolesville, this county.

At the annual election of officers of the Rockville Woman's Club, the following were chosen: President, Henry C. Allnut; first vice president, Mrs. George P. Henderson; second vice president, Mrs. William H. Talbot; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Darby Bowman; treasurer, Mrs. Rose Henderson; directors, Mrs. John E. Henderson, Mr. Wilson Ward, and Mrs. Ernest L. Bullard.

Miss Geneva Walters, daughter of Prof. Walters, principal of the Rockville High School, was among this year's graduates of the State Normal School.

Mr. and Mrs. E. U. Ward have returned to their home in Washington after spending several weeks with their daughter, Mrs. Little Briggs, at Galtersburg.

HYATTSVILLE.

Mrs. Laura V. Howard, of Baltimore is visiting Mr. and Mrs. George B. Luckey, Franklin avenue, extended.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Marvin Peach, Shepherd's Subdivision, have been visiting the former's parents, Dr. and Mrs. John Peach, near Mitchellville, in the lower section of Prince Georges County.

Mr. Allen B. Duckett, of Bladensburg, left Tuesday for a visit of several weeks to friends in New York City.

Mr. James F. Chaney, of Philadelphia, has returned to his home in this county, after a visit to his sister, Mrs. Simon Hartley, Bladensburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin J. Linwood, of New York City, have returned after a visit to friends near Brentwood, Prince Georges County.

Miss Hilda Beale, of Washington, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles W. Clagett.

An enjoyable birthday dance was given Friday last, at Blenheim, the home of

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Masonic Affairs.

Calendar.

LODGES.

June 15—Potomac, No. 1; B. B. French, No. 15; Orlin, No. 24; East Gate, No. 24, F. C.

June 16—National, No. 12, 6 p. m.; F. C.; 7:30 p. m.; E. A.; Amritani, No. 24, E. A.; M. F. Parker, No. 24, E. A.; King David, No. 2; Talma, No. 2.

June 17—Washington Centennial, No. H. E. A.; Orlin, No. 24; East Gate, No. 24, F. C.

June 18—Naval, No. 4, social; Hiram, No. 10, M. M.; La Fayette, No. 12, E. A.; William B. Simons, No. 2.

June 19—Columbia, No. 3; Lebanon, No. 7, M. M.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

June 16—La Fayette, No. 3; Washington Naval, No. 4.

June 17—Columbia, No. 1; Brightwood, No. 2.

June 18—School of instruction.

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS.

June 17—Washington Council, No. 1.

June 18—Admiral Council, No. 2.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR COMMANDERIES.

June 15—Orion, No. 4.

June 16—Columbia, No. 2.

ASCANT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE.

June 18—Mithras Lodge of Perfection, No. 1.

EASTERN STAR CHAPTERS.

June 15—Ruth, No. 1.

June 16—Mithras, No. 4.

June 17—Columbia, No. 2.

June 18—Ruth, No. 1.

June 19—Marcha, No. 4.

Kallipolis Grotto Wins Silver Cup.

Several hundred prophets of Kallipolis Grotto returned from Richmond Wednesday evening turned out in a large attendance upon the twenty-fifth annual convention of the Supreme Council of the Mystic Order Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm. It was a tired, but happy throng. Success was theirs from the start, and they returned bearing in happy embrace a beautiful silver loving cup awarded them for the largest and best appearing grotto in the grand parade of Tuesday evening.

Kallipolis Grotto was given the place of honor in line, immediately following the officers of the Supreme Council and Sam's Grotto of Richmond. Headed by the Minute Men of Washington and the famous Kallipolis Grotto band, the several hundred prophets of Kallipolis Grotto made a striking appearance, dressed in tuxedo suits. The grotto celebrated goat "Billy Kallip" brought up the rear.

The parade was the largest and most unique ever witnessed in the city of Richmond, whose entire population seemed to have turned out, and along the line of march the streets were banked with interested spectators. Street car service was almost entirely suspended during the two hours' march. From the walks, windows, house tops and automobiles thousands of banners and flags were waved and the applause was continuous.

The Supreme Council session opened Tuesday afternoon, after selecting Buffalo as the next convention city. Edward S. Schmid, of Kallipolis Grotto, was advanced to the office of grand orator by the supreme body.

Kallipolis Grotto and its ladies arrived in Richmond Monday afternoon and each arriving train and boat brought delegations from the grottoes of other cities. By midnight nearly 5,000 visitors were in the Virginia capital, most of whom accompanied Kallipolis Grotto and the Minute Men to Capitol square at midnight, where amid an impressive ceremony a beautiful wreath was placed at the base of the statue of Washington. Monarch P. R. Pullman introduced Capt. Delos H. Thayer and Robert L. Montague, who delivered appropriate addresses. The "Spirit of '76" was depicted by Prophets A. B. Williams, D. S. Goumpf, and E. L. Hutchinson. At the close Kallipolis Grotto Band played "Nearer My God to Thee" and "America," which were sung by the assembled multitude.

Sam's Grotto, of Richmond, proved itself a worthy host, and exemplified Southern hospitality in typical style. The arrangements were perfect and executed without a hitch. Committees met each arriving train and boat and directed their visitors to the various hotels. Entertainment in the form of roof garden and theater parties, automobile rides, and musical performances was provided for the ladies when the Prophets were attending the sessions of the Supreme

Council and the ceremonial of Sam's Grotto Wednesday evening. Thursday afternoon the prophets of other cities, returning by way of Washington, were received at the White House by President Wilson.

Kenton Neal Harper Claimed by Death.

Kenton Neal Harper died at the George Washington University Hospital at 9 o'clock p. m. on June 11, after a brief illness from pneumonia. He was born at Gettysburg, Pa., May 15, 1857. His education was obtained in private schools and at Pennsylvania College, being a member of the class of 1878 from that institution. He then engaged in newspaper work for several years in Detroit, Cincinnati, Louisville and Cumberland, Md., in the latter city holding the positions of associate editor of the Daily Times and editor of the Weekly Alleghenian. Coming to Washington, he held for a brief time a position in the Government Printing Office, and on March 8, 1888, entered the service of the War Department, where he was employed during the remainder of his life, being in charge of the card index rooms of the medical division of the adjutant general's office. Mr. Harper was actively identified with Masonic work, being a past master of Naval Lodge, No. 4, a past high priest of Washington Naval Chapter, No. 6, a past commander of Orient Commandery, No. 5, a past grand high priest of the Grand Chapter, E. A. M., of the District of Columbia, and a past grand patron of the Order of Eastern Star.

Mr. Harper was made a life member of Naval Lodge in 1905 in recognition of his service in preparing the history of the Grand Chapter, E. A. M., of the District of Columbia, and a past grand patron of the Order of Eastern Star. The work is a splendid monument to his laborious research and his skill in arrangement and his ability as a writer. The funeral services will be held this

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